

plastic core sheets", Oberthur will not be able to identify which element in the prior art anticipates the corresponding element in Leighton's patent claims.

Space permits only one further example of Leighton's inadequate Infringement Contentions. Claim 1 of the '207 patent requires "first and second plastic core sheets ... positioning ...one electronic element ... directly between said first and second plastic core sheets" Leighton's Infringement Contention for this critical claim limitation merely states, in pertinent part, that "Oberthur may also manufacture hybrid and contactless cards by placing chips and antennas received from other companies between thin PVC sheets." Leighton nowhere identifies what element in any of Oberthur's cards is the plastic core sheet or how that plastic core sheet "directly" contacts the electronic element.

We understand Leighton's reluctance to take a position where it may not have full knowledge of all Oberthur's cards. Moreover, Leighton has known since almost the very inception of this litigation that Oberthur purchases components from third party vendors. Leighton will presumably require discovery from these third parties to learn their processes and structures. Accordingly, we will not oppose allowing Leighton to take deposition discovery of both Oberthur and third parties before complying with its Scheduling Order obligations, provided that Oberthur's time to comply with paragraph 12 of that Order is extended until 30 days after Leighton serves its supplemental Infringement Contentions.

Yours very truly,

Enclosures

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